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• This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing", an initial paper or compact disc copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the application. Applicant must also provide a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

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This is in response to Applicant's remarks regarding sequence rule compliance in the instant application. An application that contains generic techniques to determine DNA sequence information such as DNA molecule length or nucleotide composition, without disclosing specific sequences, would not have to comply with the sequence rules. The instant application, however, also discloses specific sequences. The facts that no sequences are claimed and any specific sequence mentioned would be used solely for illustrative purposes and not represent a novel sequence disclosure are immaterial. Any sequence that is disclosed must be submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821-825. That is the meaning of the "exclusively" language.

Sequences were found at page(s) 24, and/or Figure ______

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